House Resolution No. 708

Whereas, as the 2001-2002 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Mid-Buchanan R-V School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty with the retirement of Thelma Pollard who has devoted more than three decades of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as a teacher; and

Whereas, Thelma Pollard has taught for thirty-one years at Mid-Buchanan Elementary School, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, Thelma Pollard has touched the lives of countless youngsters in fourth, fifth, and sixth grades by helping them form a solid educational foundation upon which to build in the future; and

Whereas, Thelma Pollard has supported her profession as a valuable member of the Missouri States Teachers Association and the Mid-Buchanan Community Teachers Association; and

Whereas, prior to assuming her responsibilities at Mid-Buchanan Elementary School, Thelma Pollard was employed with the United States Department of Defense and taught fourth grade for one year at a United States military base in Aschaffenburg, Germany, and

Whereas, Thelma Pollard is a member of Grace Evangelical Church, where she has served as a Sunday school teacher, children's church worker, and vacation Bible school teacher; and

Whereas, Thelma Pollard has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her husband, Robert J. Pollard, and two sons, Tim and Jason Pollard:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, join the Mid-Buchanan R-V School District in expressing appreciation for Thelma Pollard's unparalleled service to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Thelma Pollard, as a measure of our esteem for her.

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 708, adopted March 12, 2002. $\verb|\LR1\SYS\HLR\HRES\PDF|| 1120C.01.PDF|$